

JUNIOR HOCKEY OPENS HERE THURSDAY

League Opens With Aurora Game Here Thursday Evening

AURORA AND NEWMARKET
JUNIORS MEET FIRST TIME
FOR YEARS

BOAST NEW CLOCK

A Bulova neon clock has been installed in the northeast corner of the Newmarket arena through the courtesy of Wainman's jewelry store. This clock will be particularly helpful to the troops, who have to report back to camp at 9.30 p.m. The clock takes the place occupied by the sportstimer, which will be replaced by a more modern timer to be put in, it is hoped, in time for the league game with Aurora Thursday night at 8 p.m. It will be noted that all league games at Newmarket are scheduled for 8 p.m., getting

WILL BE NEW YEAR'S MARKET

There will be a special New Year's market on Friday, Dec. 21. Subsequent markets will be held on Friday afternoons instead of Saturday mornings for the winter months.

away to an early start for the benefit of the soldiers. The Newmarket team will be seen in their new sweaters given by the same firm as last year. The sweaters will be of a slightly different design but the same combination of colors, red and white. Newmarket juniors will start the league with several games behind them and should be in good condition for their opening game.

HOCKEY STARTS



TO ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS
The Era wishes all its readers, correspondents, and advertisers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Though a destructive and horrible war is in progress, there remains in the hearts of men a belief, a Christian belief, that mankind moves ever onward and upward.

The hope of all this Christmas time is that the war may come to a satisfactory conclusion as soon as possible, with a minimum loss of life, health and property, and that this time the world may be made truly safe for democracy and social progress.

To all—a happy Christmas!

Was Daughter Of One-Time Warden Of York, Dies At 82

ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN CHURCH, TEMPERANCE AND POLITICS

Daughter of a one-time York county warden, Mrs. Minerva Louise Proctor died here on Saturday in her 83rd year. The funeral will be held on Tuesday at 2.30 p.m., D.S.T., at the home of her son, Howard, 73 Prospect St. Interment will be in Kettleby cemetery.

Rev. Arthur Greer will conduct the service. Pallbearers will be Wm. J. Geer, J. E. Sloes, Oscar Ramsden, Fred Bogart, Morley Proctor and Carl Proctor. Mrs. Proctor's husband, Wakefield Proctor, died a year ago last June.

Born at Schomberg, Minerva Louise Stokes was the daughter of Sarah Jane Vernon and Joseph Stokes, and grew up at Kettleby, where her parents removed and were in the milling business. Mr. Stokes became a warden of the county.

She married 61 years ago Wakefield G. Proctor, of Kettleby. They farmed for a time and then Mr. Proctor carried on business in Kettleby as a wheelwright.

They came to Newmarket 30 years ago, Mr. Proctor working at Cane's factory and later becoming post office caretaker. Mrs. Proctor was a lifelong member of the Christian church, and was very active in church work. She was president of the ladies' aid, and held other offices during her years of service.

She was also an ardent Liberal and took a keen interest in public affairs. She was a member of the Sons of Temperance.

Mrs. Proctor has been an invalid for the past six or seven years and died of a stroke. Her two oldest sons died in their youth. There are three other sons, Howard, Newmarket, Gershom, Toronto, and William, New York, and three grandchildren.

The far greater number of classified advertisements carried by The Era is an indication of

CAMP NOTES

A skeleton staff will "hold the fort" at the military training camp on Christmas day. Those who don't get away for Christmas will have their chance on New Year's day.

The second graduating class from Newmarket training centre No. 23 took their departure on Saturday, many of them returning to chores on the home farm, where they will rise by the cock-crow rather than the bugle.

The next bunch of recruits come in on Jan. 10. They will stay for a month, but their successors are scheduled to stay for four months.

Members of the training staff will get six days leave, half of the staff being away for Christmas and half being away for New Year's.

Joe Sklar, Canadian and American middleweight weight-lifting champion, Tania Warchuk, weight-lifter, gymnast and contortionist, and Bill Oliphant, physical culture expert, were visitors at the camp on Friday evening, putting on entertainment for the men on their last night in camp.

BULLDOG BREED WRITE LETTERS AMID BOMBING

LETTERS TO NEWMARKET
KIN TELL OF
DESTRUCTION

ARE COURAGEOUS

Two interesting letters received by Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Harden, Newmarket, from a niece and a sister of Mr. Harden in England are illustrative of the spirit of the "bulldog breed."

The following extracts are from the first letter, dated in October: "Thank you for your very kind offer to look after my daughter. If only the government had thought about overseas in the first instance, what a relief for a lot of mothers! There's a raid now, so will take shelter for a while."

"Well, here I am again. That's the sixth time today, but so far so good, so why worry. My Pauline is in... and she is quite happy and contented. I thank God for that mercy but the mess is dreadful, for five weeks out of 13 months is all I have had her with me."

"Time helps everything in the old adage, but never can a mother get used to a separation. Our children are continually in our thoughts. They are a long way from here but Canada would have been further, so we must count our blessings and trust in providence."

"The English on your side of the Atlantic must feel with us, but you are better where you are. There is not a man or woman that wishes others to face this dreadful war just because you are British. Stay put and send us your prayers, and help in material aid and we are content."

"Hitler must awake one day to the fact that a war can never be won in his fashion. We may look like ants from the sky, to be harassed, but we are truly of the bulldog type, and he can never break our spirit. We have had some terrifying times and we all feel a little nervous. That is only human but when that man decides to meet us on our own ground, which he has boasted to do, well, we are ready. Even the women will meet such a crisis with courage."

"Do you manage to listen in to our broadcasts? Did you hear the princess speak last Sunday? She was great and our people are proud of her. I'm afraid there were a few tears shed. We British are sentimental (but not soft). As I write this, Jerry is bawling away overhead. We have all sorts of sayings to correspond with the sound of his engine. One is 'Your turn next' and 'Where'd yer want it?' Doesn't look funny on paper but said in rhythm to his noise, and it's caused many a laugh."

"You no doubt hear rumors in Canada about us starving here, but contradict it. There's a dear. We certainly can't get as many eggs as we would like or tinned milk but that's only a minor detail so who's worrying?"

"Tell all your friends our air force is wonderful. I've witnessed lots of dogfights and it's a real thrill. One Sunday afternoon there was a glorious battle between a Spitfire and a bomber. It was like an ordinary fly (Page 6, Col. 5)

DIES SUDDENLY



Neighbors were saddened when John Robert Willoughby Pollock, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Pollock, Island Grove, died suddenly at the Hospital for Sick Children on Nov. 27, aged 5 years and 4 months. He was the grandson of the late Charles E. Willoughby.

Turkeys Bring 32 Cents At Christmas Market On Friday

PORT PERRY MAN WINS LONGEST DISTANCE PRIZE,
ZEPHYR MAN WINS GREATEST NUMBER
OF PRIZES

BUILDING CROWDED WITH BUYERS, SELLERS
Distinct increases in prices over a year ago were paid for the fine and plentiful fowl on display at the Christmas market on Friday afternoon.

The town hall, upstairs, where the prize birds were displayed, and downstairs, where the general market was held, was crowded with sellers and buyers, both wholesale buyers and householders.

Prevailing prices were: chickens, 22 cents; ducks, 23 cents; geese, 22 to 24 cents; turkeys, 30 to 32 cents a pound.

Butter brought 32 cents a pound and eggs sold at 28 to 30 cents a dozen.

Among the prize-winners William Barker of Zephyr was outstanding, winning six prizes.

Fred Chantler, Newmarket, acted as secretary of the market.

F. W. Bradley of Port Perry won the special prize of two dollars for coming the longest distance.

A special prize donated by A. E. Starr for the best three dozen eggs, was won by Norman Still of Queensville, while Levi Weddell of Sharon won the special prize donated by the Newmarket Farmers' Co-operative for the best finished pair of cockerels. Another special prize given by J. A. Perks was won by Wm. Barker of Zephyr, for the best finished turkey weighing 12 lbs. or over. The Best drug store special prize for the best finished pair of ducks was also won by Mr. Barker.

Other prizewinners in the various classes, first, second and third, were as follows: best lot of six turkeys, Wm. Sweeney, Newmarket; Wm. Barker, Zephyr; best single turkey, Wm. Barker, Zephyr; Wm. Sweeney, Newmarket; J. D. Moore, Sandford; best lot of four geese, Mrs. Fred Hall, Sharon; Mrs. Max Glover, Queensville; Mrs. Levi Weddell, Sharon; best single goose, Mrs. Thomas Miller, Queensville; J. D. Moore, Sandford; Mrs. F. Blizard, Newmarket.

Best lot of six chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry; Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Mrs. D. Cooper, Newmarket; best pair of chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry; Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Mrs. D. Cooper, Newmarket; heaviest turkey, J. D. Moore, Sandford; heaviest goose, Wm. McClure, Ravenshoe; heaviest pair of chickens, F. W. Bradley, Port Perry.

Best two dozen hen's eggs, white, Wm. Barker, Norman Still, Queensville; best two dozen hen's eggs, brown, Howard Perrin, Newmarket; Wm. Barker, Zephyr; Mrs. Cameron Smart, Newmarket; five pounds of dairy butter prints, Mrs. Max Glover, Queensville; Mrs. F. Homer, Kettleby; Mrs. Alex. Rutledge, Newmarket; six-quart basket of Spy apples, Norman Still, Queensville; Miss Shirley Smith, Queensville; six-quart basket, any other kind, A. Barselaar, Newmarket, N. Gibney, Newmarket.

Six-quart basket of carrots, A. Barselaar, Newmarket; Levi Weddell, Sharon; bushel basket of parsnips, A. Barselaar, Newmarket, N. Gibney, Newmarket; bushel basket of potatoes, E. Breen, Newmarket.

THEY SAVE MONEY

In renewing your subscription to The Era you can save \$1 by paying \$3 for two years. Many subscribers do this, and since The Era started this rate about three years ago many subscribers have renewed twice for two-year periods, saving a total of \$2 for four years.

MACHINES WORK 21 HOURS A DAY

The Office Specialty Manufacturing Co. is working 21 hours a day. The machines are idle from 12 to 1 in the day, from 11 to 12 at night and from 6 to 7 a.m. in the morning. Even machines have to have a little rest, they say at the Specialty.

BREAKS ARM IN TWO PLACES IN FALL ON ICE

Mrs. Charles Evans, Sr., Lydia St., fell on the ice outside the Anglican church on Dec. 12, breaking her arm in two places.

Over 5,000 people read The Era every week.

BORN IN WHITCHURCH



Born in Whitechurch township near Newmarket, H. R. MacMillan in recent years has become recognized as king of the British Columbia timber industry. Some time ago he was appointed war-time timber controller, and now he has been named chairman of the war-time requirements board. His job will be to push and co-ordinate Canada's war effort.

JEWISH CONGRESS HAS CAMP RECREATION JOB

In recognition of their work since the outbreak of war, the war efforts committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress has been appointed to take complete charge of supplying furniture and equipment for the use of officers, N.C.O.'s and men in recreation rooms throughout Military District 2.

This announcement was made by Col. C. R. Hill, officer in charge of auxiliary services for the district.

"The Congress has done a major job," said Col. Hill, in making the announcement. "They have been by far our main source of recreational furniture, and the officers and men of the district are deeply grateful."

The war efforts committee has done a vast amount of service work in many fields, co-operating with all patriotic ventures to the utmost. Fifty-four recreation rooms to date have been furnished through the women's committee. Gurston Allen of Columbia Pictures is the chairman of the war efforts committee. Other committee chairman include Benjamin J. Sadowski, patriotic committee; D. Lou Harris and Ben Goldzaler, co-chairmen military committee; Mrs. Herbert Allen, chairman women's committee; A. B. Bennett, president, Canadian Jewish Congress; Oscar Cohen, executive secretary; S. J. Melzer, of Theatre Holding Corporation, operators of the Strand Theatre, who is a frequent visitor to Newmarket, is active in the Congress work.

KESWICK FOX BREEDER WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

Lloyd Pollock of Keswick was the winner of the championship award of fox pelts and won four cups at the annual pelt show of the Ontario Fur Breeders' Association held in Toronto last week. There were 1,000 mink pelts in the show, and 700 fox pelts.

Public Does Fine Job For Children Of Newmarket

FUND GOES UPWARD, GIFTS STILL ARE ACCEPTABLE

The Lions Christmas Stocking fund goes steadily upward as the Christmas spirit grows warmer. It is not too late to have a share in this important work for the less fortunate children of Newmarket. Gifts may be made to H. E. Lambert, treasurer of the fund, to this newspaper or to any member of the Lions club. If the fund goes over the top for the Christmas expenditures, the balance will go into children's work during the long winter months. Give now while the Christmas spirit moves you, and be glad in 1941.

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A. C. West 2.00
E. F. Streeter 2.00
Total to date \$575.00

RED CROSS DISTRIBUTES MATINEE PROCEEDS

One hundred and twenty cans of foodstuffs were received by the Red Cross from the matinee given a week ago by the management of the Strand theatre, who invited the children to attend, bringing a can of foodstuffs with them.

This food was distributed to ten families and the Red Cross has expressed appreciation and grateful thanks to the Strand theatre.

MARK BOXING DAY

Among the increasing number of towns which will observe a "Boxing Day" holiday on Dec. 26 are Midland, Georgetown and Fort Erie.



HAS MANIFOLD DUTIES

Personal aide to the commanding officer of the Newmarket training centre is the adjutant, Capt. E. B. Hodgson, who is in effect both business manager and general secretary of the camp.

NEWMARKET LAD IS IN HART HOUSE PLAY

Donald Davis, son of E. J. Davis, is one of the players in Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring," being presented in Hart House theatre, Toronto, by Josephine Barrington's juveniles during Christmas week.

RAISE OVER \$200 AT VETERANS' PARTY

Two hundred and four dollars and sixty cents was raised at the euchre and dance held in the town hall on Wednesday evening by the Newmarket Veterans' Association for their Christmas cheer fund. A large crowd attended.

Thirty-eight tables of euchre were played, for which prizewinners were: ladies' high, Mrs. J. E. Nesbitt, gentlemen's high, Pte. Fred Young, military camp; ladies' lone hand, Miss Vera Frost; gentlemen's lone hand, Pte. J. Jackson, military camp; ladies' low hand, Mrs. S. Pegg; gentlemen's low hand, A. E. West.

Lucky winners of the draw were as follows: Pte. T. Fraser, military camp, turkey; Mrs. W. S. Perrin, turkey; Pte. Grant Crowder, military camp, turkey; C. F. Cunningham, turkey; Pte. Coupland, military camp, turkey; Pte. G. K. Georgianni, R.C.A.F.; Barrie, goose; Mrs. John Mains, goose; H. Lepard, goose; Mrs. W. E. Yake, Aurora, goose; Miss Mary Johns, goose.

Two dollars in milk tickets, donated by Floyd Mahee, was won by H. E. Gilroy.

Mrs. King, 41 Second St., won a \$5 permanent wave, donated by the Embassy Beauty Salon. The Veterans' Association expressed their sincere thanks to the residents of the town and surrounding district for their loyal support in this undertaking. They also expressed thanks to Col. R. B. Harkness, D.S.O., O. C. of the training camp, for the co-operation given in enabling the staff and trainees to help make this such a successful event.

Donations and prizes were acknowledged from the following: Office Specialty Co., \$10; Dixon Pencil Co., \$5; H. M. Hooker, bath towel set; Wm. White, chinaware, and others.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT ENJOYED AT SHARON

The Christmas concert held in Sharon community hall Thursday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. The program was given by the pupils of Sharon school and several of the community.

The main item was a cantata, "Santa Claus Changes his Mind." The music was played by Mrs. Marie Draper Lyons of Newmarket. The stage and acts were directed by Mr. Caster. A rainbow drill was given by several of the girls, directed by Mrs. Caster and Miss Alice Hall.

Appearance Deceiving

Smith bought a new car that impressed his friends favorably. One day a friend remarked: "It's not a bad looking bus, old man. What's the most you ever got out of it?" "Seven times in one mile," answered Smith wearily.

MARKET HANDLES 16 TONS OF FOWL

Sixteen tons of fowl exchanged hands at the Pefferlaw turkey fair on Friday. Top-price turkeys sold at 29 1/2 to 30 cents a pound. Prizes were awarded for the best fowl.

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**LOVE WAS BORN
AT CHRISTMAS**

Christmas marks the birthday nearly two thousand years ago of a humble Jew whose teachings have upset the world ever since. Few agree as to just what Jesus did teach, but there is at least general agreement as to how he lived. He was concerned about others, principally about what kind of persons they were, and about their philosophy of life. He himself knew no hatreds, was interested in everyone, and found something lovely in those who seemed to others unlovely. He enjoyed food and rest, but regarded the physical as trivial compared with the mental and spiritual.

While he did not worry about tomorrow's food and clothing, he was a hard-working teacher and physician. He exacted no payment but did what he could for others and trusted his fellow men to do what they could for him.

He didn't make quarrels, but he didn't avoid those who would persecute him. He had some strange belief—still not widely understood by mankind, if indeed he was right—that he could accomplish more by permitting others to strike his cheek, to stone him, to crucify him, than by defending himself.

So true was he to his own beliefs that he has never lacked followers, each choosing what he cares to accept from that singular life and none failing to benefit.

On one thing all men seem agreed, that his life exemplified that it is better to give than to receive, and in that spirit one man, turning the other cheek, is crucified, and another, fighting, gives his life for his fellow men who may live in peace. Both men recall the words of Jesus: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth by itself alone, but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit." Is what men think more important than what they do? Whatever their interpretations, all are inspired by the same life lived so long ago and all are moved by the same spirit of unselfishness—the spirit of Christmas.

LIBERTY AT HOME

A Liberal with a capital L really should be a liberal with a small l, and even so should a Conservative with a capital C be a conservative with a small c. It doesn't always work out that way in Canada, however, and as a result Canadian politics are dreadfully hard to understand. You can talk with two men and find their views almost exactly alike and yet they may belong to different political parties, or you can talk to two men and find their views radically different and they may belong to the same political party. It is confusing.

Recently we have had the strange spectacle of a Conservative leader criticizing a Liberal government for un-liberal or reactionary acts. Col. George Drew, provincial Conservative leader, whom we would not regard as a liberal with a small l, has been taking up the cudgels on behalf of those persons who have been interned without trial. We are going to quote a few sentences from a recent liberal speech made by the Conservative leader.

"But while we wage this war and strive for victory with all our strength, we should never forget that military victory will be a hollow triumph unless we preserve that personal freedom which has been the first consideration of all intelligent political activity since British civilization emerged from the dark ages."

Col. Drew goes on to criticize the Defence of Canada regulations. His first criticism is that they are made by order-in-council rather than by act of parliament. His second criticism is that one regulation takes from the individual the right of appeal to a judge or court (even behind closed doors). One regulation "places almost unlimited power over the person and property of every citizen of this country in the hands of the minister of justice without making any attempt to define what may or may not be 'prejudicial to the public safety' . . . no one man in any democratic country should have the authority to seize the person and property of any citizen upon his own interpretation of what may be prejudicial to the public safety or the welfare of Canada . . .

"There is no appeal to a judicial tribunal. The only suggestion of protection against the possibility of injustice which exists under the regulations is that a person who has been arrested without any charge being laid, and usually without even being told why he is being taken into custody, may have the facts reviewed by one of these (two) judges . . . All that happens is that the judge, not acting as a judge but as a commissioner, makes a report on the facts which the minister of justice can ignore completely. A judge might say that there was no evidence whatever to justify the man's imprisonment, and yet the man might still be kept in custody and would have no further right of appeal."

Col. Drew says that regulations in Britain "are not nearly so far-reaching" and, secondly, "Great Britain is a beleaguered fortress in which it is almost impossible to follow the ordinary civil processes. To all intents and purposes Great Britain is necessarily under martial law. But we are under no such pressure here. Our civil activities are not under the direct impact of war. To us has been given the opportunity to prove to all the world that democracy will work even under the pressure of war . . .

"We should keep clearly in our minds and before our people the nature of that liberty we are fighting to preserve . . ."

Col. Drew then criticizes a more recent regulation under which "any article belonging to any person can be seized without that person necessarily knowing anything about it, and destroyed without his knowledge although no charge has even been laid against any person, if counsel of the attorney-general of Canada or the attorney-general of any province authorizes this action . . . There has been no greater repudiation of those recognized legal principles which are intended to protect a man's control over his own property since the adoption of the Bill of Rights . . . Under this regulation documents, letters, books or other articles may be destroyed and a man may subsequently be called upon to face charges without the evidence available which would have conclusively proven his innocence . . .

"I believe that some provision should be made for prompt arrest and imprisonment where there is any reason to believe that a person may be engaging in subversive activities. But once they are in custody, then their case should be determined by some form of trial which is in keeping with our established legal practices . . . Much though I dislike the thought of trials in camera, I realize that the necessity may occur. It should not be looked upon as the regular practice and should only be permitted upon the sworn declaration of some officer of the department of justice that the evidence is likely to assist the enemy."

"In that case, however, the ordinary legal procedure could still be followed by trying the case before a judge and then granting the right of appeal to an established court of appeal. Even if the proceedings were in camera, I have sufficient confidence in our judges to believe that this would provide ample protection under the unusual conditions imposed by war . . .

"One of the most serious aspects of these Star Chamber proceedings is that they have already been used in connection with labor disputes. While negotiations have been in progress officials of unions have been arrested and sent to concentration camps without trial and without disclosure of the charges against them. The regulations have also been employed as a means of preventing picketing and other recognized rights of organized labor . . .

"Throughout long centuries British people have fought and died so that we might have security of the person and property under clearly stated laws administered by impartial judges. We are fighting for that right today. Young men are dying for it. Let us be sure we preserve it."

WHAT IS A FARM PROFIT?

When does a farmer make a profit? How much wages per hour must he himself get and then how much return on his investment, after paying all expenses such as taxes or rent, electricity, automobile, depreciation on his implements? We have heard of farmers who were "making money," but we really do not know any who, in addition to fair wages for themselves, are receiving a fair return on their investment, and that is what is ordinarily understood by a "profit."

We are inclined to think that the dominion department of agriculture uses the word "profit" rather loosely in the following publicity statement: "The bacon hog is particularly well adapted to Canadian farm economy. It provides a market for the by-products of Canadian milling and dairy industries, and a medium through which Canada is able to market annually, and with profit, a large part of small grains production."

However, the bacon hog is still a useful servant of the Canadian farmer.

RE-CONFEDERATION

The Rowell-Sirois plan for re-Confederation strives to solve the problem of provincial borrowing and credit by having the dominion government take over existing debts, and in the future pay needy provinces "national adjustment grants" sufficient to maintain an even standard of living throughout the dominion. There is no provision against new provincial borrowing, but only debts incurred with the approval of a federal finance board would be considered in making national adjustment grants. The plan put forward by the commission probably has its weak points, but it is to be remembered that the commission could not just re-make Canada to suit themselves but had to offer a compromise plan that would help Canada face post-war social and economic problems and at the same time have a reasonable chance of being accepted by the dominion and each of the nine provinces.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

**AUTOCRATS
AT QUEEN'S PARK**
(Midland Free Press)

Democracy means nothing to the Hepburn government. Not content with forcing the two-year term for municipal office on the cities, towns and villages of Ontario unless they vote "no," not content with pushing the sale of liquor into communities which do not want it, refusing to admit the authority of Canada's supreme court and withdraw its beer room licenses from counties which are "dry" under the Canada Temperance Act, the government has now gone a step farther in its assumption of autocratic power.

Attorney-General Conant has given notice that the Ontario legislature will consider legislation at its next session to permit the running of excursion trains on Sunday for skiing parties. With that one cannot quarrel. Legislatures have a right to consider any legislation. Mr. Conant makes the amazing statement, however, that the legislation will be made effective from Dec. 1, 1940, and that the railways may consequently go ahead now without any fear of prosecution for violation of the Lord's Day Act. The legislature does not meet till spring, but Mr. Conant not only assumes to say what action it will take then, but, in effect, proclaims the legislation to be in force months before it can be enacted.

Shades of Hitler and Mussolini! The Brampton Conservator points out that the legalizing of Sunday ski trains is the thin edge of the wedge that will ultimately open the door to Sunday movies, Sunday baseball, and hockey and the wide-open European Sunday.

CHIPS AND HIS CHUMS

Montreal's worst fire in ten years occurred on Wednesday when fire destroyed a three-story stone house and swept to ten adjoining homes. It was feared that two or three lives were lost and several were injured. An explosion started the fire.

Hon. Gordon Scott lost his life during the rescue operations following the torpedoing of the Western Prince, a week ago Saturday, it was announced on Wednesday. Mr. Scott was one of the three aides travelling with Hon. C. D. Howe, Canadian munitions and supply minister. Mr. Howe lost all his papers.

Germany has closed the barrier between unoccupied France and Nazi-held France and



Folks, it's great to realize that another year has rolled around, knowing your old friends are true as ever . . . that you've made new ones.

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THE PURPLE FINCHES DECIDE TO DEFEND THEIR RIGHTS

BY RUTH DINGMAN HEBB

Chips and His Chums wish all their followers and readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"I think we ought to gang up on him," Mrs. Purple Finch said firmly to her neighbor in the Mountain Ash tree. "I never heard of such a thing! It's scandalous!" "Whatever is the matter?" inquired the big Pine Grosbeak, who had just arrived. "Who has been abusing whom?" "My dear, it's really atrocious," Mrs. Finch confided. "He has actually had the nerve to fly right up into the top of this Mountain Ash tree."

"Who in the world are you talking about?" Mrs. Grosbeak asked again, impatiently. "You're talking in riddles. It seems perfectly natural to fly up to the top of a Mountain Ash tree. I, personally, know of nothing that makes more delicious eating than the Mountain Ash berry."

"Yes, yes, of course," it was the Finch's turn to be impatient, "but you don't understand. I'm talking about one of those great big Ring-necked Pheasants. He actually had the nerve to fly right up into our lovely tree, instead of staying respectfully on the ground, and picking up the berries that drop down."

"And you've no idea how many berries he ate," another of the Purple Finches said. This time it was a young male who spoke, sporting the handsome rosy purple suit of the adult Finch gentlemen. "He simply gobbled them up. My bill hung open watching him, I was so amazed. Why, he ate more in one minute than I eat in ten. It's unfair, I think."

"Why, that is serious!" agreed Mrs. Grosbeak, who was a pretty grey bird, half as big again as the Finches. She had white wing bars and strong patches of dark yellow on her head and back just above her tail, and a suggestion of yellow on her wings.

"By the way, where are the rest of your Grosbeak relatives?" asked young Mr. Purple Finch. "There

The Common Round
DECORATING
By Isabel Inglis Colville

"Will you help me decorate?" I asked.

"Did I hear you say help?" my better half wanted to know. "Well, I stand around and hold things, don't I?" said I.

"We'd better get started then," and setting action to words, he, armed with a step-ladder, mounted the stairs, then the ladder, and gazing at the top of the wardrobe, where reposed boxes of all shapes and sizes, he asked which were full of decorations?

"Do you expect me to remember for a whole year?" I asked plaintively.

Upon the occupant of the ladder silence fell like a garment, as he peered into this box and that.

"They should be marked," said he sternly, "or all these other boxes of doodads put elsewhere."

"There's a cat," said I as I started downstairs with a pile of boxes balanced precariously before me. Following me down came the noise of conflict as Lugs hid in every corner of the room, thinking it a grand game, and the man of the house uttered vain "scats," as he pursued her.

"Can you manage?" I shrieked above the din.

"I've managed," he told me grimly. "I've shut her out!" but in a moment I heard the door open again and "one out—one in," said he venomously, "cats are all right in their place, but not in a room you want to shut up."

"Don't leave one in there," I begged, "the bed is covered with wrapped Christmas gifts."

"They've been over it once," he told me, gloomily, "they've no respect for anything or anybody. I'd think with all the cats you've had here, you'd be

is withholding large quantities of railway stock.

The British forces had completely surrounded Bardia on Friday night and were moving up reinforcements for a final assault on this important Libyan port. Twenty-thousand Italians were believed to be encircled.

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The British Mediterranean fleet within the last few days penetrated the Adriatic, shelled the important Albanian port of Valona and swept the sea as far as Bari on the Italian side and Durazzo on the Albanian, meeting no Italian ships.

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CONCERT IS CANCELLED BECAUSE OF MUMPS

A number from here attended the Baseline school concert on Wednesday evening, Dec. 18. Miss Graham and pupils are to be congratulated on their splendid program.

J. Whittaker had the misfortune of being badly shaken up and injuring his arm while he was clipping cattle at Ted Ley's. Friends are sorry to hear that Miss Audrey Young has been sick with the flu. She is recovering nicely.

Two boys of this community, Ralph Pollard and Percy Woods, received word to go in training the first of the new year.

Miss Ida Prosser is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr. Royden Prosser and Mr. Gordon Hare returned from training in Newmarket on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey King attended a cousin's funeral in Hamilton last Sunday, Dec. 15.

A number of the children are disappointed this year because they are unable to hold their concert. A number of the children are sick with the mumps and now their teacher, Mr. Harnden, is ill.

JOLLY ST. NICK

By GOLDEN GLOW

I certainly was amused the other day seeing in a paper about a course one could take to be trained in the gentle art of substituting for Santa Claus.

And yet, the more you come to think of it, the more sensible it becomes, for all the mothers will uphold me when I say that, if all the many, many Santa Clauses looked more alike, we would not have to prevaricate when the small folk call our attention to the discrepancies so evident to their critical young eyes in different Santa Clauses! The course taught the would-be Santa Claus how to adjust the accepted red tunic and bulky trousers, tucked into shiny high boots. How to attach Santa's white whiskers and long hair, crowned by the regulation Santa Claus bonnet.

Taught him how to pad his midriff to the exact proper proportion and make it shake naturally when he laughed. "Like a bowl full of jelly," as the old rhyme states. Yes, and taught him how to laugh the jolly Santa Claus laugh—the laugh so typical of good old St. Nick! Taught him the generally-accepted Santa Claus chatter. Taught him how to approach the shy, bashful child, yes and how to suppress and keep one step ahead of the forward one—the child that knows it all and then some!

Oh, we can think up quite a number of things that a "Santa Claus course" would include, and not the least of these, either, is how to apply the proper makeup, so as not to be ridiculous and spoil the effect entirely.

It does seem rather a crime for older ones to delight in undecieving the younger ones, and telling them "of course there isn't any Santa Claus." Why not keep the wool over their eyes as long as we can; for oh, it really is delightful to believe in Santa Claus, and why not enjoy it as long as possible?

We have, like many others, in our young days, been keenly puzzled as to exactly how Santa came down the chimney—and filled the stockings hanging in a row along the mantelshelf over the fireplace. It never did seem to be explained satisfactorily, any more than how the jolly, red-colored sleigh Santa carried his toys in, and the six reindeer, kept from sliding off the roof!

Oh, aren't you sorry for the child that some kind (?) friend has undecieved, so that they never have heard jolly old St. Nick and his prancing reindeer up on the roof Christmas eve? I've heard him! Oh yes! And I was not easy to undecieve! (None so blind as those who won't see!) The merry sleigh-bells that jingled on the reindeer as St. Nick drove them up the roof to the chimney—why, I even heard them stamp their little feet, as they waited for Santa's return!

What a lot a child has missed who never put a glass of milk and a plate of goodies ready for Santa, after he had filled the stockings—proof positive there is a real Santa Claus, in the morning to find plate and glass both empty! Of course Santa enjoyed his lunch—to the last crumb!

I think every nation has either "Santa Claus" or some other name for "Father Christmas," but naturally we like our own conception of St. Nick the best of all, tiding in a little red sleigh with his reindeer, each with a string of jolly sleigh-bells—and his sleigh simply overflowing with the loveliest of toys and a bag over his shoulder, bulging with the toys carried with him when he alights on the roof to go down the chimney! That's our good old St. Nick!

I don't know when the delightful little ceremony of "writing a letter to Santa" first originated, but it was a grand way of finding out what different ones wanted him to bring them.

All the same, it must be a pretty strenuous and a pretty hot job, substituting for Santa Claus. If you are near enough to children that they can investigate you too closely, you may come to grief, for there usually is some "smart alec" who delights in exposing the fraud! Or maybe you have to wear a Santa Claus mask, and you get so terribly hot that you are becoming, and in self-defence off, comes the false face and beard—you open up the red jacket to cool off and out falls the cushion that gave you that jolly round shape. But human endurance has its limits, and with heat and excitement the Santa Claus role could easily become an endurance test!

It used to be at the Sunday-school Christmas tree that St. Nick did his best work up on the platform above us, and with his helpers cutting the gifts off the gorgeous Christmas tree, looking to see for whom the prize was meant, and whispering the name to Santa as he handed over the gift—then—oh joy of joys—Santa calling out your name and somebody lifting you up, if you were small, to receive your gift right from Santa Claus himself! That Sunday-school Christmas tree of the old days, standing so majestically on the platform of the town hall, reaching from floor to ceiling, glistening and sparkling, and literally covered with gifts—what greater delight could any child ask? And the gift was always something you had wanted very much, so you made sure Santa must have brought it—nobody else knew about it.

Give good St. Nick a chance and he'll do the rest! Keep the little ones believing in Santa Claus the same as we used to—don't cheat them out of what is rightfully theirs—and I am sure it could never, by any stretch of the imagination, do them any harm to believe there really is a Santa Claus!

Elmhurst Beach

Elmhurst Beach, Dec. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke and children spent Friday in Toronto.

Mrs. Abe Sedore was at the funeral of her cousin, Mr. Thomas Stevens, at Grimsby on Monday.

Mrs. Archie Sedore and children have been visiting friends in Toronto for a few days.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster in the loss of their son-in-law, Mr. Harry Comer, who passed away at Baldwin after a very short illness.

Mrs. Wilmet Lloyd spent a few days visiting friends in Toronto last week.

Mrs. Malcolm Beare of Hanover, Ont., spent last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Isaac Waldon.

Much sympathy is extended to Mrs. Walwick in the loss of her mother, Mrs. McGeachie, who passed away in Toronto last week.

Mr. L. B. Pollock is attending the fur pull show at the King Edward hotel, Toronto, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry March of Bradford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lockertie.

Mrs. L. B. Pollock is visiting friends in Toronto this week.

NATIVE OF BRADFORD GETS IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT

R. S. Hamer, general executive assistant, dominion department of agriculture, has been promoted to the position of director of production service of the department, succeeding the late George B. Rothwell.

Mr. Hamer, who was born at Bradford, Ont., in 1883, graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, in 1907, and that year was appointed one of the first six agricultural representatives for the Ontario department of agriculture.

In November, 1911, he was appointed assistant to the livestock commissioner. Two years later he was made chief of the cattle division and in 1933 was advanced to chief of livestock field services and assistant commissioner. Following the reorganization of the department in 1937, he was made general executive assistant.

In his new position, Mr. Hamer will be responsible for administering the work of the four divisions of the production service, namely, livestock and poultry; health of animals, plant products and plant protection.

EAST GWILLIMBURY COUNCIL WINDS UP BUSINESS FOR 1940

The final meeting of the East Gwillimbury municipal council was held in Sharon hall last Monday. The members were all present.

The treasurer was asked to pay the county levy of \$8,852.34, the high school levy of \$5,213.60, the vocational school levy of \$519.52, and the levy of \$340.22 for county patriotic purposes.

The clerk was ordered to write off the \$2 dog tax of Harold Boyd.

The treasurer was given an order to pay one-half the school levies to the school treasurer, with the balance to be paid April 1, 1941.

The treasurer was asked to return to those that tendered for bridge construction, the deposits held at the clerk's office.

Accounts passed for payment were: K. Holly, refund snow account, \$2.60; county taxes, \$14,925.34; E. R. Fry, stamps, \$4.50; Stuart Travis, weed inspector, \$10; W. T. Huntley, weed inspector, \$35.85; hospital for consumptives, treatment, \$10; Chris Jones, school attendance officer, \$32.50; Dr. Leary, x-ray, \$5; J. E. Jardine, salary, \$10.

J. S. Osborne, referee, salary, \$125; J. S. Osborne, signing cheques, \$10; Byron Silver, salary, \$120; Alan Shaw, salary, \$120; Walter Proctor, salary, \$120; Geo. Pearson, salary, \$120; Geo. Pearson, signing cheques, \$10; Road accounts: King township settlement, \$52.30; erecting snowfence, \$19.50; trucking, \$38; other labor, \$2; total, \$68.60. On motion the meeting adjourned.



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WELL-KNOWN NORTH YORK FIGURE DIES

A resident of his old family homestead, "Bonshaw," on Yonge St., just north of Newmarket, Christopher Harleston Irving died at York county hospital on Tuesday after an illness of about ten days. He was about 80 years old.

Mr. Irving was well-known in Newmarket, where he made daily visits. Born in Hamilton, he was the son of Augusta Gully and Sir Aemilius Irving. He was the brother-in-law of Aemilius Jarvis, well-known Aurora sportsman and financier, who, by a strange coincidence, died two days later, on Thursday.

Mr. Irving's father was a judge in Toronto, but "Bonshaw" was the family home, where Mr. Irving moved as a young boy. He attended school at Port Hope and college at Guelph. After farming for a short time he served in the Boer war and was decorated for service.

Mr. Irving married twice and was twice left a widower. His first wife was Miss Bell Bowman and his second was Miss Aemilius Roe.

The funeral service was held on Thursday afternoon at St. Paul's church, with interment in the family plot in St. James' cemetery, Toronto. Surviving are two brothers, Humphrey of Toronto. Wentworth of Vancouver, and one sister, Mrs. Sutherland, of Montreal.

ZEPHYR INSTITUTE HOLDS CHRISTMAS MEETING

Zeephyr, Dec. 18.—Mr. Donald McLaren of Fort William visited his sister, Mrs. James Lockie, on Sunday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Zeephyr Women's Institute was held in the community hall on Dec. 12 with the president in the chair. The meeting opened with the Opening Ode, the Lord's prayer and the Institute creed in unison. After the business, roll-call and current events were given. The Christmas program opened with community singing, "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night."

Christmas readings were given by Mrs. Galbraith, Mrs. J. W. Rynard and Mrs. H. Squires, followed by a piano solo by Dorothy Ferguson. Mrs. I. A. Armstrong gave a reading on the common cold.

The meeting closed with "God save the King" and a social half-hour.

Mr. John Heaton is visiting his brother and family at Concord.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rynard, returned from their honeymoon and were received by "Zeephyr Repaz band." They have settled down on their farm a mile and a quarter east of Zeephyr, where they will receive their friends.

Local market prices will be found on page one this week, and Toronto market prices on page eight.

Holt

Holt, Dec. 18.—The Christmas program of Holt Sunday-school is being held in the church on Monday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock.

The school meeting of S.S. No. 6 will be held in the schoolhouse on Friday evening, Dec. 27, at 8 p.m. All raterpayers are requested to attend.

Several of the boys on the seventh line gave Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Allison a rousing charivari last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cain and Arthur Lepard attended the funeral of the late Harry Comer at Baldwin on Monday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Armstrong of Mount Albert spent the weekend with Miss Audrey Gibney.

Mr. Walter Couch of Bala, Muskoka, was home over the weekend.

Several attended the fifth line school concert on Monday evening, also several attended Shrubmount school concert on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Arthur Lepard returned Sunday after spending a few weeks with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Douglas Moorehead, of Mount Albert.

Maple Hill

Maple Hill, Dec. 18.—Those who were present on Monday evening for the Christmas tree and entertainment enjoyed it very much. The slides on the birth of Christ were very good. The Christmas tree was nicely decorated and old Santa Claus was full of fun. There were not so many out as usual. Some are still ill. A speedy recovery is hoped for them.

The young people met Wednesday evening in the church vestry. Prayer meeting is on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. Robt. Knights.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Plummer and Doreen visited Mr. Plummer's sister, Mrs. Gillian, at Markham, on Sunday, bringing their nephew, Mr. Russell Gillian, home with them.

A list of \$3,000,000,000 in new U. S. war orders was completed by British officials on Thursday, without immediate assurance of payment.

Unconfirmed reports persist that there are large numbers of German troops in the Italian peninsula.

German planes made the biggest attack of last week over England on Friday, striking particularly in the industrial areas of the Merseyside.

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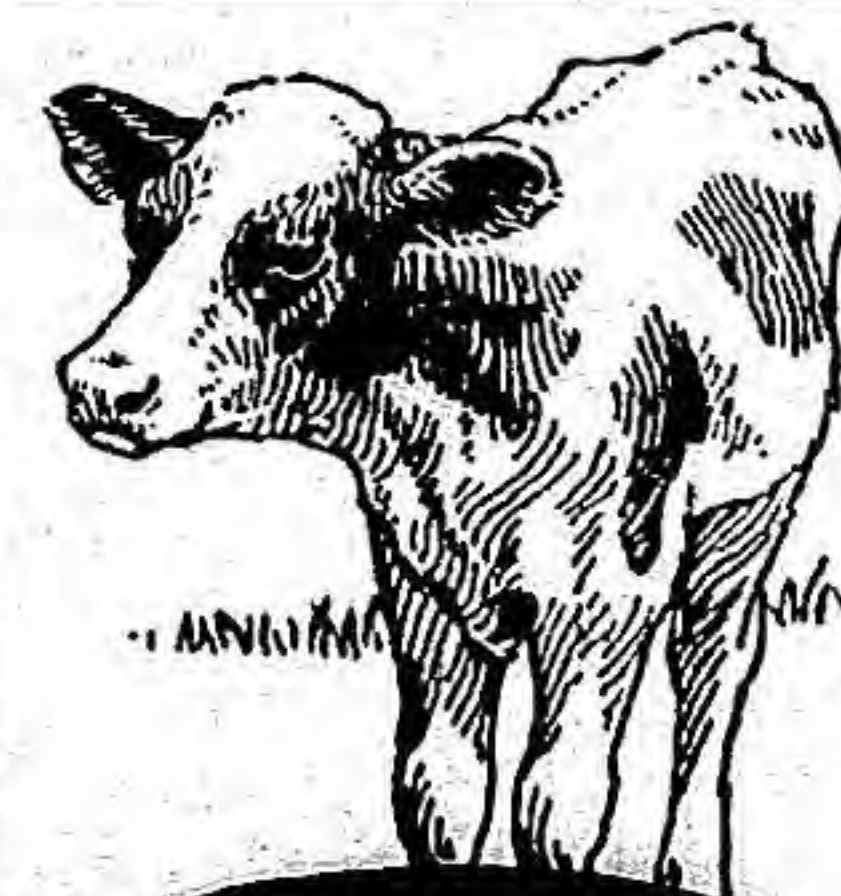
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The merchants' association decided in favor of closing the day following Christmas day. I think it is a good idea and would ask all citizens to co-operate as fully as possible.

I take this opportunity of wishing all the citizens a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

S. J. Boyd,
Mayor.

**HEADMASTER'S WORDS
COMMENDED IN BARRIE**

The following is an editorial from the Barrie Examiner, generally regarded as one of the two or three leading weeklies in Canada.

A timely message was delivered by Mr. Joseph McCulley, headmaster of Pickering College, in an address to the Barrie Kiwanis club recently on the subject of "Education in War Time." Mr. McCulley said that the allies had lost the last Great War after the cessation of hostilities because they had failed to give proper youth leadership. He stressed the necessity of maintaining the highest standard of education possible during the present war, since the rebuilding of the world after war will largely depend upon the youth of today.

In concentrating our efforts upon the immediate task of winning the war, we must not overlook the duty that we owe to the rising generation. Victory over the enemy will not be complete or worth the sacrifice if we allow ourselves to be defeated on the home front through neglect of preparation of youth for the future. There need be no clash between our war effort and this peace effort, for they can not only run concurrently, but can be mutually helpful. Even in Great Britain, where thousands of children have been evacuated from the cities and where the entire school system has been disrupted, teachers are striving under great difficulties to continue the work of education. With our educational equipment intact we can carry on as usual, and we should take full advantage of our privileges in this respect.

While there is so much being pulled down and destroyed by war, it is the special task of the teacher to train young life for the work of rebuilding. With this end in view, our educational system may need revising along more practical lines for the development of a more vigorous type of citizenship. As Mr. McCulley pointed out, "the world has become more complex, with mechanical devices of all kinds. This has changed our commercial and industrial life and it is hard for young people to adjust themselves." It is not enough to stock their minds with academic knowledge, valuable as that may be in mental culture. Youth must be made strong in character and physique to face the future with intelligence, courage and endurance. The lessons of the present war should be impressed upon their minds. They should be made aware of the ideals and principles involved in the present struggle. They must be taught to cherish the liberties that are now being preserved for them as the future citizens of Canada and the Empire. Theirs will be the inheritance, and they must learn to be worthy of the sacrifice with which it was bought. (Barrie Examiner).



The Christmas season is with us again—the season when jolly old St. Nick makes his annual rounds and brings cheer to all—the season when the exchanging and opening of gifts will say "A Merry Christmas."

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Dated at Newmarket this 23rd day of December, 1940.

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CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mr. Alex. L. Dunn wish to express their thanks for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended by friends and neighbors during their recent bereavement.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Charles Brooks of Mount Albert wishes to announce the engagement of Ruth Isabelle Brooks to Kenneth Charles Mitchell, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Mitchell of Newmarket. The wedding will take place quietly the first part of next month.

BIRTHS

Bagshaw—At York county hospital, Dec. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bagshaw, Pefferlaw, (nee Ruth Webster, Aurora), a son, James Bruce.

Hope—At York county hospital, Dec. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hope, Aurora, a son.

DEATHS

Jarvis—In the Private Patients' Pavilion, Toronto General hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 19, Edward Aemilius Jarvis, in his 81st year, son of the late W. D. P. Jarvis and Diana Irving.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Saturday afternoon, Interment St. James' cemetery, Toronto.

Proctor—At Newmarket, on Saturday, Minerva L. Stokes, wife of the late Wakefield Proctor, in her 83rd year.

Funeral service at the residence of her son, Howard Proctor, 75 Prospect St., on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2:30, D.S.T. Interment Kettleby cemetery.

Wills—At York county hospital, Newmarket, on Sunday, Minnie Kier, wife of the late Edmund Watson Wills, in her 70th year.

Funeral service at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Skinner, lot 32, concession 5, Whitelock, on Tuesday, at 2:30 p.m., S.T. Interment Pine Orchard cemetery.

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A recent wedding of interest was that of Emily Grace Barker, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Barker of Sharon, to Ronald I. Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Allison of Mount Albert. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Hugh Shannon of Queensville, at the home of the bride's parents.

The young couple are residing on the groom's farm at Mount Albert. Photo by Budd Studio.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL
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—Miss Dorothy Barraclough of Richmond Hill will be a Christmas guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lowe.

—Mr. George D. Wark, now of Orillia, was a visitor in town last week, calling on Mr. Henry Bennett, Mr. W. J. Patterson and other friends.

—Miss Catherine McCaffrey and Miss Margaret Coyle of Toronto will spend the Christmas holiday with Miss McCaffrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McCaffrey.

—Mr. Geo. Atkinson and Miss Margaret Atkinson of Long Branch and Mr. Alan Taylor of New Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. Atkinson's daughter, Mrs. Geo. Lincoln.

—Miss Grace Gee of Montreal is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elgin Perrin, for the Christmas holidays.

—Miss Helen Blendauer will spend the Christmas holidays at her home in Port Elgin.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Young will spend the Christmas holiday with relatives in Galt.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. Yawman and Miss Margaret Dolan will spend the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dolan, Toronto.

—Miss Velma Scarborough of Scarborough Bluffs spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Holden.

—Pte. Doug. May of Camp Borden was home for a couple of days this week.

—Mr. J. Tutton of Kettleby spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Sloss, and Mr. Sloss.

—Mrs. Wm. Webster and son of Toronto are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Webster's mother, Mrs. Allan Denne, who is ill.

—Miss Shirley Patterson of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., and Mr. Jack Patterson of Toronto Medical school are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Patterson. Mr. Lorne Patterson of Guelph will be home for the holidays also.

—Mrs. A. J. McCaffrey and Misses Anna and Betty McCaffrey of Toronto will spend the holiday with Mrs. McCaffrey's son, Mr. J. J. McCaffrey, and Mrs. McCaffrey.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Price of Danville and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coles of Toronto will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Price.

ERA WILL BE EARLY

The Era will be published next week on Monday, Dec. 30, as the holiday on Wednesday will break up the week. Correspondents and advertisers are asked to co-operate. Copy should reach The Era by Thursday and not later than Saturday. Important additional items can be handled on Monday. Thursday publication will be resumed on Jan. 9.

PADRE GIVES XMAS MESSAGE

The following Christmas message from Capt. the Rev. T. W. F. G. Andrews appears in the Brampton Conservator, Capt. Andrews, pastor of a Brampton church, was formerly pastor of Trinity United church, Newmarket, and is at present Protestant chaplain at Newmarket training centre.

"I think at this time, of thousands of children who will spend Christmas this year without their soldier dad. Many will never see him again on earth. Think of how much harder it is for a boy to enjoy Christmas without dad. May I ask that mother and older brothers and sisters give more time than usual to these little ones in helping them to enjoy Christmas, and in telling them the story of the Christ Child. Tell it in their language, not as a fairy tale, but as a Bible story of real merit.

"I think also of the soldiers and their more mature relations. There are many thousands who will be separated from loved ones. Each will be picturing

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Elizabeth Eileen Frances (Betty), is the eight months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Duncan, Newmarket. Photo by Budd Studio.

A Very Merry Christmas



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what the others are doing on that day of days, Christmas day. Prayer after prayer will go up to the throne of grace for protection, guidance and strength in the great struggle of right against wrong.

"May I say again, 'He came that they might have life.' 'In Him was life and His life was the light of men' and all the darkness of this cruel world can never put it out.

"But is Christmas not a time for joy? It surely is. It is a time to make merry. But to lose the Christ in the midst of domestic pleasure or to forget Him in our gifts, or not to hear His voice at the fireside or fail by faith to see His shining face would indeed be tragedy.

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Last Tuesday 60 graduates of the home nursing class received their certificates from Dr. C. R. Boulding in Trinity parish hall.

Seated on the platform were Mrs. H. J. Charles, Miss Eva Lemon and other Red Cross officials. On behalf of the classes Mrs. John Moynihan, Jr., and Miss Dorothy Clarke presented plants to Sister Etheldreda, S.S.J.D., and Mrs. W. C. Wallis, Sr., the two instructors.

Following the ceremonies, a tea was held, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Wilcox, Mrs. C. Cluine, Mrs. Elwood Davis, Mrs. J. Moynihan, and Misses Betty Case, Mabel Carr and Mae Fry.

START 1941 RIGHT

The coffers of the Aurora high school literary society were enriched by a net profit of \$36.32 from the annual high school commencement. The society has a nice fund with which to start the year. Total receipts were \$39.75, while expenses amounted to \$3.43.

IRISH GET "COLONEL"

Captain James Flanagan, well-known Toronto financier and philanthropist, has accepted the office of honorary colonel of the 2nd Irish regiment (C.A.R.C.). Captain Flanagan, with Sir William Mulock, took the salute in front of the Aurora post office in October last when the Irish regiment had its drumhead service.

MRS. C. R. BOULDING

WILL CONDUCT COURSE

Early in the New Year the Aurora Red Cross will commence their series of lectures in war nutrition. Mrs. C. R. Boulding, who took the course at Guelph O.A.C., under the direction of the provincial government, will be in charge.

HELP POSTIES

As usual many Aurora young men and war veterans are engaged in Christmas work at the Toronto post office. Work will end for most either this evening or tomorrow. Forty cents an hour is the rate of wages the men receive.

CALL BY R.C.A.F.

Douglas Egan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Egan, Wells St., and an employee of the T. Sisman Shoe Company, who made application for the R.C.A.F., has received word to report for duty, and will leave for Manning pool, Toronto, on Thursday, Dec. 26.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Marian Bolton will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bolton, at Niagara Falls, Ont.

Miss Bertha Andrews of the staff of Honeywood continuation school arrived home on Friday for the holiday weeks.

Mr. Maurice Cowieson, Wellington St., is spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cowieson, Toronto.

Mr. James McCuskey and daughter of Winnipeg, and Mr. and Mrs. William Buffan of Meaford will spend Christmas with Mrs. M. McCuskey, Yonge St.

Mr. Lance Bennett of the Canadian Bank of Commerce staff is spending the holiday at Paris, Ont.

Miss Lella Boynton and Miss Edythe Turp of the Fleury-Bissell staff at Elora will spend the holiday in town with their respective families.

Mr. Cyril Hamblin of Toronto is spending the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, Wells St.

Miss Iris Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hamilton, Old Yonge St., is home on holidays from Hatfield Hall, Cobourg, and has as her guest Miss Roslyn Griffiths of Surrey, England, who is this year attending Hatfield Hall.

Miss Marian Thompson, of the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, is spending the holiday weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Thompson, Victoria St.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Doolittle, Catharine Ave., attended the annual Christmas party of the Black Watch association last Wednesday evening. Mr. Doolittle was a member of this famous unit during the Great War.

Mr. Morgan Baker, M.L.A., was in town last Wednesday.

Ex-Reeve A. J. Knowles and family, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knowles, and Pte. Keith Knowles of the Irish Regiment, C.A.S.F., and Mrs. Knowles will spend the holiday with Mrs. R. Cockerill, Victoria St.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morton of Mount Albert were in town on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Sambrook were in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnston, David and John, of Toronto, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ruth Hulce.

Mr. William Smith, Metcalfe St., will spend Christmas at Niagara Falls, Ont., with his daughter, Mrs. Audrey Smith.

Mrs. Robt. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leggett and Miss Anna Leggett, and Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Bryan of Maple will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dew, Forest Hill Village.

Corporals David Judd and Tom Smith, instructors at the North Bay militia camp, are home with their respective families on holiday leave.

Clifford Chapman of the R.C.A.F., Guelph, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Chapman, George St.

William Bull of the veterans' home guard is home on leave.

Pte. Hubert Tunney of the Duffin-Haldimand Rifles is home on Christmas leave.

Pte. James Cook of the Argyl-Sutherland Highlanders, who is awaiting a call to the R.C.A.F., will be home on six-day leave over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Teasdale and son of Buffalo, N.Y., will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Teasdale, Temperance St.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cole, Centre St., will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doan, Toronto.

Parochial Guild Elects Officers

The annual meeting of Trinity church parochial guild was held at the rectory last Tuesday evening, and the following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Miss Eva Lemon; 1st vice-president, Miss Anna Smith; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. P. Granger; secretary, Miss L. Bradbury; treasurer, Mrs. L. Evelyn.

Dorcas, Mrs. H. Hazen; ass't. Dorcas, Mrs. H. Richbell; hostesses, Mrs. O. Heath and Mrs. T. Smith; chancel convenor, Miss Anna Smith; publicity, Mrs. H. Proctor; kitchen convenors, Mrs. P. Brodie and Mrs. S. Patrick.

PUPILS ARE TREATED TO THEATRE PARTY

Children of Aurora public school delighted spectators at the school on Thursday as they sang such old favorite carols as "Hark the Herald Angels," "Come All Ye Faithful," "Good King Wenceslas" and others. Each room had their own little party, while there was a general sing-song.

On Friday school closed, and with his accustomed generosity, Ed. Warren, proprietor of the Royal theatre, gave his annual free Christmas party in the afternoon for the school kids.

WILL GO TO CAMP

Among the boys from this district who have been called up for the next period of training at Newmarket training camp are W. John Ough, W. W. Thompson, Aurora, R.H. 2, D. P. Cowieson, Harold Botham, N. Anderson and H. Anderson.

SEND GIFTS TO C.A.S.F. BRIGADE MEMBERS

Aurora firemen have not forgotten two members of the brigade who are serving overseas, Bruce Browning and Bill Hatfield. Both will receive cigarettes from their former comrades.

Two-Year Question Brings Interest In Town Election

Rumor is rampant that there will be an old-time election in Aurora on Jan. 6. Nominations will be held in the Mechanics' hall on Monday, Dec. 30, from 7.30 until 8.30 p.m., D.S.T.

Frank Underhill has already announced his intention of contesting the mayoralty, while it is said that Councillor Dr. E. J. Henderson, who has served on the council for the past three years, will also contest the chief magistrate's office. No official pronouncement has been made by Mayor J. M. Walton, who is said to be retiring this year, although undoubtedly pressure will be brought to bear on Mr. Walton to have him seek another term.

As yet there appears to be little opposition in sight for the county council seats. Reeve Charles A. Malloy will definitely be a candidate for the reeveship, while Deputy-Reeve C. E. Sparks will be a certain nominee for the deputy-reeveship. It is thought by those "in the know" that these two men will receive acclamations, although time alone will tell.

Councillors G. A. C. Gunton and John Stuart will again be candidates, and it is said that Councillor Ross Linton will again be drafted for service, although he has made no announcement as to his intentions.

Two experienced goalies, will be on hand for the heavy practice Jim Walker has scheduled prior to next Thursday's tussle.

Ken House, the Maple banker in the nets, is improving each time out, but he looks a little awkward and a more experienced boy would aid the defence. House, who originally hails from New Hamburg, and last year was with Richmond Hill, will battle them all when he gets his sea legs. Erie Bunn, too, given the opportunity, has plenty of stuff, but a two-year lay-off for a youngster is hard to overcome.

Watson Skidins, denied Kitchener rink because they refused to release players to the ambitious Kitchener greenshirts, have made New Hamburg their ice. They'll not lose many home games but away from home will be different. Maybe the atmosphere will do them good. For New Hamburg for its size has turned out some real players, headed by Earl Siebert, Gummy Lederman, Ott Heller, Trushinski and many others.

Dr. Harry Smith was in town last week wearing the King's uniform. In case you don't remember him, we ask you to think back to halibut days when Stonfville was run by Bill Mather and had some potential greats. Smithy was the local dentist, a great ball supporter and a general utility player, too. Whenever Stonfville took Aurora, he used to give Elmer Henderson a real kicking, and once in a while Dr. Henderson got his revenge. Dr. Smith is now with the 2nd Field Ambulance at Camp Borden.

Red Farrell had a real fanning bee with Hack Wilson. When these former peck-wings got together, no one can get a word in. It is one official who should certainly be kept in mind by the local club for action. He is especially good at the blue-line decisions, and his hockey experience gives him the player and fan reaction necessary to keep up a good brand of hockey.

The reinforcements expected for this game didn't materialize, but six or seven new boys, including

Councillor A. J. G. Wilson, who has moved from Aurora, cannot, of course, qualify as a candidate, so that there is one sure seat at the board to be filled, with two seats vacant if Councillor Dr. E. J. Henderson runs for mayor.

Mentioned among those who may seek council seats, or who are being urged to seek a seat by their friends, are ex-Reeve L. K. Farr, Stewart Patrick, C. C. Macdonald, Ralph Grieves, Fred Rowland, George Duffield, Victor Jones, B. E. Hambley, Charles Davies and A. N. Fisher. In addition, several dark horses are said to be considering seeking election, while pressure is being brought on ex-Councillor Howard Bunn to again be a candidate.

There will, of course, be a vote on the two-year term and this reason is given for the large list of names suggested, since there will definitely be a vote of the ratepayers this year.

For school board trustees, J. F. Willis, Daniel J. Webster and W. A. M. Cody are the trio whose term of office expires this year. All three are said to be certain candidates again, while the names of H. A. F. Bowman and John Hudson are also mentioned, as well as those of several prominent women in town. If a woman should run, it would be a novelty for local politics.

WIN CHRISTMAS FOWL

On Friday night the Aurora War Veterans' Association held their annual fowl draw and dance in Mechanics' Hall.

Billy Hole and his Livewires provided the dance music. Jim Peters received a special prize for selling the most tickets for the events. Lucky winners of turkeys, geese or chickens were: P. M. Thompson, Donald Burling, Donald Chadwick, Toronto, Irene Rose, Jim Peters, "Buddy" Nelson, Kirkland Lake, Francis West, Frank Rowe, Lillian Egan and Irma Sheridan.

SPORTSMAN IS IN R.C.A.F.

Gordon "Buck" Hayes left last week for Brandon, Man., with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

"Buck" as he is well known was an employee of Fleury-Bissell Ltd., and was one of Aurora's best known athletes of recent years.

He was an especially capable hockey referee and basketball umpire and was much in demand by North York teams, his fearlessness and impartiality, coupled with ability, winning him the complete respect of both spectators and players.

TANNERY EMPLOYEES RECEIVE XMAS GIFT

Employees of Collis Leather Co. on Saturday received a Christmas present from the firm in the form of large boxes containing a ham, asparagus tips, tomato juice, peaches, etc. Over 150 boxes were given out.

WOUNDED BOYS ARE HOME

Keith Southwood and Harry Burge, the two Aurora boys who were wounded while skating on E. D. Emest's pond on Sunday, Dec. 15, were removed from a Toronto hospital to their home over the weekend. They are, however, unable to be out.

STUDENT NEWSPAPER IS OUT

"The Quill," student newspaper at Aurora high school, made its appearance last week and had a sell-out edition. Vaughan Williams is editor.

ACT AS PALLBEARERS

Two former Aurora rectors were honorary pallbearers last week at the funeral of the late Rev. R. McNamara of Toronto, well-known Anglican clergyman. They were Rev. P. R. Soames and Rev. Gerald Despard.

DIES IN TORONTO

The death occurred in Toronto last Monday of Mrs. Minnie Garvey of Toronto.

The late Mrs. Garvey was formerly Minnie Webb of King township and will be remembered by old-time residents of Aurora as a sister of Mrs. Richard Wells, whose husband at one time kept the Queen's hotel here.

12TH NAME OFFICERS

G. M. Cooper of Toronto was elected president of the 12th battalion veterans' association at a meeting held at the Sappers' club last week. Other officers named at the meeting were: 1st vice-pres., Albert Lacey; 2nd vice-pres., A. Wade; secretary, W. Jackson; treasurer, J. D. A. McLennan; committee, Jack Adams, H. T. Dean, F. Moorehouse and H. Tucker.

SCOUTS LEARN TO BOX

The 1st Aurora Boy Scout troop is meeting in the high school each Wednesday evening, and last Wednesday began taking boxing lessons, under the direction of Bob Benville, who has had some ring experience.

Several of the Scouts have already shown themselves proficient at "the manly art," and no casualties were reported.

YONGE ST. DECISION LEFT TILL NEXT YEAR

Last Monday evening council took no action on the proposed snow-cleaning and sanding agreement submitted by the department of highways.

"We would be giving them a blank cheque," said Councillor John Stuart. "Let us leave the matter over for next year's council, they can deal with it. I believe public opinion will force the province to continue cleaning the street."

"We would be losing our birthright and the complete control of Yonge St.," said Councillor Dr. G. A. C. Gunton. "It would be a hardship on our businessmen if the province got control."

"It's too bad they should wait until the end of the year to bring up this matter," said Mayor Walton. "I am averse to doing important business at last-minute meetings. Although this is very important, I am prepared to deal with it if council so decides."

"Time is too short now," said Councillor Ross Linton.

"We can sand our own streets, pending some solution," said Councillor E. J. Henderson. "The whole thing is pretty much of a surprise."

"They say they won't do anything more if we don't sign," said the mayor.

"I don't believe they will do it," said Councillor Stuart. "The centre strip is theirs anyway. They'll have to clean that."

"They say they won't do a thing," said Deputy-Reeve Sparks. Council will wait and see, meanwhile taking sanding precautions. The town has a considerable quantity of sand on hand.

VOTE "NO" ON TWO-YEAR TERM AND KEEP YOUR HAND ON THE WHEEL

On Monday, Jan. 6, the people of Aurora and Whitechurch will vote on the question of a two-year council term. The people of both municipalities have had experience enough of the mistakes that it is possible for their elected representatives to make, sufficient awareness that municipal councillors are only human, to be very careful in relinquishing any of the control which the experience of the past has placed in their hands.

Wise advice to the people of these two municipalities is to vote "No" emphatically. By retaining the annual election, the people can retain greater control over the tax-rate and at the same time be in a much better position to see that their councils act wisely and effectively in the settlement of the many problems which come before them.

Aurora Merchants Observe Boxing Day, Close Dec. 26

For the first time in some years Boxing Day, Dec. 26, will be celebrated in Aurora, when the stores of the town will be closed in order to give the merchants and clerks an opportunity to rest from the heavy rush of Christmas business.

The holiday is one that generally prevails throughout the Old Country and is growing into more and more favor in Canadian municipalities each year. By petition of the merchants, Mayor J. M. Walton has officially proclaimed the day.

Frank Underhill Will Run In Mayoralty Contest

Frank Underhill, Aurora insurance agent, told The Era on Wednesday that he would contest the mayoralty of the town at the coming election.

"My name will be placed in nomination next Monday and I definitely intend to be a candidate," he said. Mr. Underhill has been a member of the public school board for a number of years and last year was nominated for the mayor's office, but declined. Mr. Underhill refused to comment on civic issues, saying he would make his position clear on nomination night.

North York mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens, Aemilius Jarvis, Sr., D.S.S., who died on Thursday after a lengthy illness. He was in his 81st year. Mr. Jarvis' home was on Yonge St., just south of Aurora.

He was born in York county, the son of Diana Irving and William D. P. Jarvis. He was married twice, his first wife dying after the war. In 1829 he married Miss Marion Gertrude Head of Vancouver, who survives him.

Mr. Jarvis was a stock broker. During the 1870s he was a member of the 1874, Mr. Jarvis, Peter Smith, provincial treasurer, and others, became involved in a public scandal. As a result, Mr. Jarvis paid a fine of \$200,000, and spent a short period in jail. He spent a great part of the rest of his life trying to clear his name and as a result of public meetings convinced a large part of the public that he had not had a fair trial.

Mr. Jarvis was a keen huntsman and yachtsman. He celebrated his 80th birthday by riding to hounds, and had won many yachting championships during his career. He was commodore of the Royal Canadian Yacht club for seven terms. During the last war Mr. Jarvis provided Canada's "Q-boat" patrol directed against German submarines.

Many local and district residents paid their last respects, along with thousands of Toronto citizens, on Saturday at the funeral rites, which were held from St. James' Anglican cathedral, Toronto.

Assisting in the service were Hon. Flight Lieut. Rev. G. O. Lighthourne, former rector, and Rev. R. Keith Perdue, rector of Trinity Anglican church, where Mr. Jarvis was an attendant.

Pallbearers were William Levett, huntsman, and Francis N. Hayes, groom, A. S. Piets, a nephew, Montreal, P.Q., Col. Frank Moss, Alfred Rogers and Frank Proctor, two grandsons, W. D. P. Jarvis and J. I. Jarvis, and C. H. J. Snider, yachtsman and associate editor of the Toronto Evening Telegram.

The service was marked by its simplicity, there being no sermon or eulogy, only the solemn dignity of the funeral service of the Anglican church. Interment was in the family vault at St. James' cemetery.

Mr. Jarvis by a recent will had named his pallbearers, Mr. Levett being associated with him for 20 years at Beverley farm, and Mr. Hayes for 12 years at Hazelburn farm.

Merchandise prizes won by shoppers

Saturday night found the space in front of Taylor's garage jammed as shoppers gathered to see if they would be one of the lucky winners of the 17 prizes donated by Aurora merchants.

Dr. E. J. Henderson and A. M. Kirkwood were in charge of the proceedings, with Dr. Henderson making the draws.

In most cases only one draw was needed, as the holder of the lucky ticket was in the crowd. The whole affair was run off in the fast time of 35 minutes.

Prizewinners were: Consolation prize, Miss Edith Richards; 35-piece dinner set, Mrs. Frank Honey; 20-lb. pack of lard, Mrs. Charles Cusford; silk stockings, Mrs. Charles Walton; Kettley; linen cloth, Mrs. C. H. Hekson; sweetener, Earl Attridge; half-case of oranges, John Cross; basket of groceries, Mrs. H. Bird; potato pot, Earl Corbett; subscription, Mrs. Robert Hacking; 3-lb. box of candy, Emily Teasdale; bread tickets, Mrs. W. McGirr, Sr.; basket of assorted fruits, Mrs. A. Hazen; 24-lb. bag of flour, Mrs. Robert Foot; 5 gals. of gasoline, Marjorie Rose; flashlight, Ross Bovair, Eversley.

IRISH PLAN DANCE

The officers and men of the local company of the 2nd Irish Regiment are planning to hold a dance and social evening in Aurora about the middle of January.

FRANK LACEY NAMED PRINCIPAL OF LODGE

On Friday evening Frank Lacey was elected 1st Principal of Aurora Royal Arch Masonic Chapter, No. 235.

The retiring principal was F. A. Macdonald of Toronto, former Aurora resident. Officers are I.P.E., F. A. Macdonald; 1st principal, Frank Lacey; 2nd principal, William Boaks; 3rd principal, Milton Graham; principal sojourner, H. W. Mooney, Newmarket; sr. sojourner, Arleigh Armstrong, Newmarket; jr. sojourner, Dr. J. L. Equibart; master 4th veil, Edward Cole; M. 3rd veil, Howard Morton; Mount Albert; M. 2nd veil, Carl Swanson, Oakridge; M. 1st veil, Layal Sparks; Scribe Ezra, F. R. Underhill; Scribe Nehemiah, W. H. Taylor; treasurer, Sydney Davies; O. G. Douglas Trivett, Newmarket.

MOVE TO BELLEVILLE

Charles Cluine, Wells St., has accepted a position in Belleville, and he and his family are moving this week to that city.

BAND PLAYS SANTA

The Aurora citizens' band, under the direction of Roy De La Haye, provided the music for the community Christmas tree at Sutton.

CALENDAR

Aurora badminton club is holding a New Year's eve dance this year in the high school auditorium.

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**KING TOWNSHIP
BOXING DAY WILL
BE OBSERVED IN KING**

Thursday, Dec. 26, Boxing Day, was declared a civic holiday within the municipality of King, at the regular meeting of the council of the township of King, at Sutton's hotel last Monday. All members were present.

General accounts passed were: Toronto Western hospital, \$1; Geo. McDonald & Co., office supplies, 76c; the Liberal printing office, advertising, \$3; C.N.I. for the Blind, \$12; department of Game & Fisheries, township pheasant license, \$3.75; Nobleton postmaster, postage, \$38.01; S. Stewart Joseph, stationery, \$5.05; Maurice Hayward, constable, \$26.20; H. G. Rose, registrations, \$2.50; J. H. Sutton, rent for council meeting, \$5; J. A. Farquhar, constable services, \$12.02; parish hall, Kettleby, rent for hall for nomination meeting, \$10; Parish hall, Kettleby, hall for court of revision, \$5; H. Fizzell, 50c; Imperial Bank of Canada, tax collections, \$49.63; Arthur Wesley, school attendance work, \$14.69; W. E. Dale, supplies, P.V.S., \$1.13; Len Baguley, supplies, P.V.S., \$1; J. Hart, labor, P.V.S., \$7.80; C. Fell, 10 bulbs, \$2.50; Harry Kitchen, supplies, 45c; B. Graham, supplies, \$3.90; H. Fizzell, labor, \$1.20; H. Hollingshead, labor, \$1.20; Elwood Aitchison, labor, \$14.88; Geo. Bye, labor, \$1.20; H. Russell, labor, \$19.53; W. H. Burling, labor, \$17.75; P. V. Schomberg, Maynard's fire, \$20; Thos. MacMurehy telephone \$2.23.

Relief account, \$132.89; road voucher, No. 13, \$1,502.03; road voucher No. 14, \$1,296.67; W. W. Gardhouse, county treasurer, \$11.87, November hospitalization; John Chamberlain, \$11, for sheep killed by dogs; Walter Proctor, \$13, for sheep killed by dogs.

The council approved of the plan of sub-division, being part of lot 7, concession one, new survey, as submitted by A. J. Saint, but the council declared it was not responsible for any road allowance or the upkeep of same on this property, and the reeve and clerk were instructed to sign the plans as submitted.

The treasurer was asked to pay the treasurer of the county of York \$27,942.29, King's portion of the 1940 county levy.

Authorization was given to pay Geo. Farley of the assessment department of the city of Toronto \$50 for that portion of the right-of-way between the King side-road and Maple Ave., in the Burnaby sub-division at Yonge St. This cheque was to be delivered to Mr. Farley when he delivers the deed. This price was in accordance with the report of the special committee of the reeve and deputy-reeve on this matter.

The council accepted the map of this township as presented by the road superintendent, showing the various roads that are to be snow-plowed during the winter of 1940 and 1941.

The treasurer was authorized to issue a cheque to A. J. Saint, Bradford, for the sum of \$45.85, being the amount of the Holland Marsh maintenance credit note on his property, described as lot 7, concession 1 (N.S.), as the taxes were paid in full by Mr. Saint on his property.

The treasurer was authorized to issue cheques to the secretary-treasurer of the several school sections and union school sections to the amount of \$31,776.83, being the amount of the trustees' grant, township grants, the clergy reserve grant, the surplus grant and the county grant on equipment, made up according to the attached statement.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at King City on Jan. 13, 1941, at Armstrong's hotel, at 9 a.m., or at the call of the chair.

**SCHOMBERG
PRIZES PRESENTED
AT SCHOOL CONCERT**

The Christmas market was unusually large on Wednesday, with prices exceptionally good. Fowl was brought from long distances. Plans are being made for a real old-time dance, to be held in the town hall on Friday, Dec. 27. The entire proceeds will be devoted to Greek relief. This event is being sponsored by the entire community.

The Women's Association of the United church held their annual meeting and election of officers in the church basement last Tuesday afternoon. The year was quite successful in every way, with a nice financial balance after all obligations had been met.

The election of officers resulted as follows:
Honorary president, Mrs. S. Dixon; president, Mrs. John Hart; vice-president, Mrs. Blake Skinner; secretary, Mrs. Roy Dixon; treasurer, Mrs. A. Forth.

All officers were returned again except the secretary. Mrs. H. H. Sawdon retired from this post because she is moving from this district to Tottenham.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

The ladies' bridge club was entertained on Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Miss Clara Spraul.

The Schomberg public and continuation schools put on a very fine Christmas concert in the town hall on Thursday evening, consisting of drills, dances, recitations and plays. Prizes and diplomas were presented. The valedictory address was given by Miss Grace Wauchope. The teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on

their fine work, both academically and socially.

Miss Lucy Fox is quite ill at the present time. Friends wish her a speedy recovery and a happy Christmas.

**EVERSLEY
FARMER OF SIXTY
BEGINS CUTTING TEETH**

Here is a story for Andy Clarke! It is of a 60-year-old farmer, who is still teething. One of the local farmers had his teeth extracted a couple of years ago, and after



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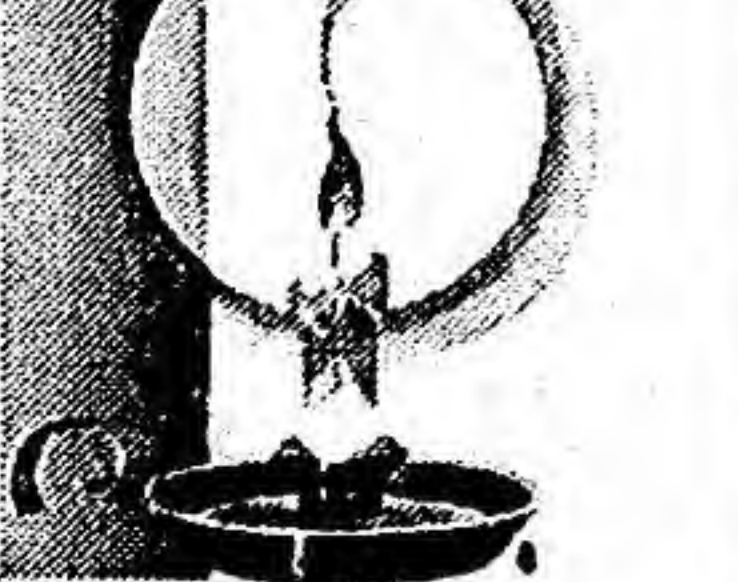
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a long interval of "gumming it," he got his new set. But they hurt, and kept on hurting, till an x-ray being taken, it was found that a tooth was coming through and was causing the trouble. It was extracted after a difficult operation. After a time another sore place developed in the jaw about the same place, and the artificial could not be worn. Again the dentist examined the jaw and discovered another tooth was sprouting. This was removed, though it left an aching void.

Now that this farmer will be 61 years old on Christmas day, he hopes he is through teething. The "slaughter of the innocents" is on now, and the fine fat geese and chickens are being prepared for the Christmas market.

Icy pavements make travelling still dangerous, and the back roads are especially slippery. Trying to climb a hill on one of the side-roads, Mr. Bowen's car turned round and went down. The road was a glare of ice.

Eversley Young People's met at the home of Mr. Bak on Monday night. It was a foggy night, and the King members did not attend. The vice-president, Edith Bovair, presided. Dorothy Ball led in prayer. Readings were given by Annie and Ethel Ferguson, and Edith Bovair. Mr. Bak played mouth-organ selections, and Ross Folliott and Roy Bowen conducted contests. Christmas carols were sung.

Eversley community prays for a happy Christmas season, with peace on earth.

**BULLDOG BREED
WRITE LETTERS
AMID BOMBING**

(Continued from Page 1)

attacking a large bumblebee. Can you imagine it? And then four Jerries baled out and was there, some, excitement? The pity is the plane fell on some houses but we say, well it is war, so just carry on.

"Can you picture us going to earth every night? We all hope our winter will bring better nights to us but so far it is hopeless. Have you seen pictures of Anderson shelters? They really are a boon to us and we feel very secure in them."

"... It's again dug-out time. So will close this scrawl, hoping you will be able to understand all the alterations. Blame it to Hitler, he's so aggravating..."

The second letter, written in November, from the locality of an arsenal, cannot be quoted so fully: "Just a few lines to let you know we are still alive and O.K. but we never know from minute to minute whether we are going to be next."

"The raids are terrible over here. We get them every half-hour in day-time and from 6 o'clock at night till 7.30 in the morning. Then it starts all over again all day. We are just trusting to God for foggy weather, to get a rest from them."

"We have been bombed day and night for three months. We have to go to public shelters at night, as we are having as many as 150 planes over at night. The bombardment is terrible. There is hardly a house standing in some streets. If you could only see us over here. Nothing but ruins. You cannot explain to anyone what it is like, unless it is seen."

"We have not been in our beds since the bombing started. Five hundred planes came over in the first raid at 5 o'clock on Saturday night, the seventh of September... Then they came back the same night and bombed all night. We are waiting for the day to get the flying fortresses over, then we will show them. What do you think about the Italians' fleet... They have a lot more to come to them."

Mr. Churevill has told them they have got to be beaten first, and we are sure doing it. Hitler is getting his dose at the same time. I hope you will be able to read this, as we are down in the shelter, where there are 200 people, and the guns outside are shaking the shelter badly."

"We have been here tonight since five minutes to six, when screaming Lizzie went off and it doesn't half scream."

"We are not too bad off for food here at present. We are allowed two ounces of butter each for each person, one-quarter (pound) of margarine a week (when that is gone we go dry bread), one-quarter pound of sugar each a week (after Tuesday no sugar, as it is not enough to last any longer, when there are only two of you), one-quarter pound of tea for two. So you see within a little how we go on. Everything is as low as possible, but we put up with all, and sure we can take it, as we know we shall be the victor."

"I think we are doing wonderful, considering we are fighting alone, and the way we have been let down, but still we let them see we show our bulldog teeth and rule the waves."

"We have hardly any gas, as it has been bombed. We have to use candles for light. We are only able to cook on the fire until we get gas through."

"I hope you all have a very happy Christmas, and the family are united together. As for us over here, God knows if we shall ever see it, but he won't kill us all. So I close with the

best of wishes for a prosperous new year. So God bless you all."

**SNOWBALL
ELECT OFFICERS FOR
SNOWBALL SOCIETIES**

The Women's Association and Woman's Missionary Society held their December meeting at the home of Miss Hazel Webb on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11.

The election of officers for the new year was as follows: hon. pres., Mrs. C. Copson; president, Miss Hazel Webb; vice-pres., Mrs. Haines; secretary, Mrs. Teasdale; lunch com., Mrs. Morning. Mrs. Patrick; flower com., Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. Wood.

W.M.S. officers: president, Mrs. Almonte Appleton; vice-pres., Mrs. Mitchell; sec.-treas., Mrs. Clifford White, 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Farren.

William Patrick passed away at his home on the third concession of King on Thursday, Dec. 5. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Emily Brown of Newmarket, and two sons, Herbert of Snowball and Jesse of Newmarket. Deceased was in his 86th year. Interment was made in Aurora cemetery.

The Women's Institute meeting was held on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Earl Lloyd. The roll-call was answered by "A memory of grandmothers' day." There was an exchange of Christmas parcels. Mrs. Beckett was the convener of education and temperance. There was Christmas music. Hostesses were Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Beckett, Mrs. H. Mills and Mrs. Barrett.

The Snowball euchre club will hold their first meeting of the new year at the home of Mrs. John Morning on Friday, Jan. 3.

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The one thing, especially, every minister wants to do is to be counted the friend in the sick room. To assure the sick one that he cares. To bring the word of cheer, the encouraging smile, the prayer of commendation to a loving heavenly Father.

How modern life has militated against this special ministry! The doctor has forbidden visitors and the family thinks that means the minister; when the minister calls it is not a convenient moment to see the patient; the craze for rushing everybody to the hospital, where life is so public, largely denies such friendship (on one occasion as I stood by the bedside of a patient having prayer the nurse came and moved the bed into a more uniform position); sudden illness and death. The latter forbade my ministry to one with whom I shared a close friendship. Black diphtheria, and in a few days he was gone. The doctor, of course, had said "No visitors." Indeed, before the neighbors were quite aware of his illness, he was gone. Even after his death visitors to the home were forbidden.

I remember so well conducting the funeral service. Only the undertaker was allowed to enter the home. The house was about 500 ft. from the roadway. I went to the verandah, where I was showered with disinfectant and shaken all over me. On the verandah I stood reading, like a voice in the wilderness, the funeral service, with the hope that the friends gathered at the road might hear.

In one way it seemed silly, and yet as Christians we were so used to form that the form must be followed. Yet, was it not more than form that day? True, I could have stood at the was read with the hope that the family might hear through the window and gain comfort therefrom. . . . It was a most trying experience. True, I risked my life, but why should not the church's representative do that when the doctor and undertaker are willing to do it? That winter day it was a solemn procession that followed the hearse to the vault. Even though the body was sealed in a special casket, all followed at a distance. No experience I have known made such a solemn impression on folk of that neighborhood. Any conversation by the way was a deep consideration for the widow and children. Sadly we deposited the coffin in the vault to await the approach of spring for burial.

In the beginning of the following week I ventured to visit the home and I was a welcome visitor. One of the three children was ill. The mother was greatly distressed. Her heart was breaking for the partner of life who had been taken, and her whole soul was worried over the sick child. We prayed together, seeking the benediction of being able to say "Thy will be done," and commended the entire family to Him who understands. Two days afterwards I returned to find the child had passed on too. The undertaker had just arrived before me and was carrying out the doctor's orders to have the body removed immediately to the vault. I brought what comfort I could to the stricken mother and leaving her in the hands of "Him who cannot err or make mistakes," without ceremony or funeral procession followed the little remains to the vault.

A notice, from the vault-keeper intimated a day in spring for the burial of all bodies (this cruel experience of two funerals caused by Canadian winters is being eliminated by modern facilities). On that day both coffins were carried into the beautiful little brick church, where I conducted the double service. The church was packed. Reference was made to my association with the deceased; of having overheard him singing "There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus" while at his daily task; to his sudden and lamented passing; to his devotion to the church, and appeal was made to those present to rise up and follow in his train.

We walked across the road to the little graveyard. As we stood around the open grave and saw the two coffins lowered, and I committed the earth to the earth, the ashes to the ashes, the dust to the dust,

and the souls of both to God, tears flowed freely, some sobbed loudly, and the emotional strain through which the preacher passed that day is still shared by him as he recalls that winter scene, which culminated in a glorious spring day scene suggesting that death is the antecedent of life.

HODGE PODGE

I well remember a minister saying to me that the man who invented the Ladies' Aid did a great day's work for the devil. I didn't agree with him then, nor do I now. It's a great organization and it has carried the church on its back for many years. The Ladies' Aid meeting was the great social event of the month in my early ministry. The meetings were held in the homes of the members. The minister's job was to gather up a load and transport them to the meeting. Oh yes, he attended too. After the devotions and business the hostess always served a generous lunch. During the luncheon jokes were told, local news was passed around and a generally fine social time was spent.

On one occasion an invitation for the next meeting came from an old couple in the village. Some years previous the old man was in an accident in which he lost his eyesight. I remember how he used to make his way to the store by tapping the roadside with his cane, and to the barn by a long wire on which he hooked his cane. The invitation was gladly accepted and arrangements made for a committee to provide the cats. Just a little event in the life of the old couple to bring them friendship and good cheer.

I went early to the home that day to help the old lady prepare for the guests. I suggested having at least the executive sit around the table, because usually when they sit scattered around the room there was too much gossip for the proper conduct of business. I also suggested settling the clock on the centre of the table so that they should know to stop at four o'clock and the cats would all be ready at that hour. When the old lady was not looking I set the alarm on the clock for the hour of four. The ladies were sitting around the table very earnestly engaged in business when b-u-r-r, b-u-r-r, b-u-r-r, went the alarm. What a demonstration of how nervous women are! Shrieks, shouts, and prayers! One shouted "God bless me!" Then bursts of laughter followed and a chorus of voices cried, "That's the preacher did that!"

My predecessor bequeathed to me a fine group of Tuxis boys. I had come directly from the Old Land into college and from college to my first charge, without any connection with Trail Ranger or Tuxis boys' work. However, I told the boys my dilemma and they made allowance for all my shortcomings.

Talking with one of the members one day, he told me that he usually was accused of misbehavior in the neighborhood on Halloween night and to prevent the accusation he intended visiting his uncle's for a few days. I asked him would he remain at home if I were to take the responsibility of absolving him from all blame. He agreed. I interviewed the group and they agreed to meet me every night of the week preceding Halloween and practice community singing.

Then on Halloween night we went out as an unknown group to every home in the village, making particularly sure to call at the home of the man who had the grudge against this particular boy. We were made most welcome. The old man sat by the side of the stove and his wife occupied the opposite corner. We all sat in a semi-circle. I led the group in the community singing and in jokes. While slapping my knee to give emphasis to my leadership, I failed to see the daughter of the home passing a plate of candy. I struck the plate and knocked it into many pieces on the floor. Maybe that is where Providence comes into the picture?

Next day I went to the store, bought a plate and took it to the home. It was hard to convince the lady that her minister was the culprit. However, she said they had all enjoyed our visit

and the accident. Then I made sure she had the names of all the boys that had been in her home. Thus the previously bad boy on Halloween night was her Halloween guest.

I was one of the first in the community to own a radio. Indeed, I was a listener to the first Toronto broadcast. Was it Christmas, 1920? Anyhow, I first purchased a little crystal set. You remember them? I'd just strike the sensitive spot and get lovely music and then the cat would jump off the chair to the floor and away went the music. "Now you have it, now you haven't it." Then I got a one peanut-tube set. It was a gem! One day I tuned in on two ladies talking on the telephone. I dropped the earphones and took down the phone receiver to listen and right enough, there were the two sisters carrying on their daily long conversation. Of course, I never told them I "listened in."

Where the aerial joined the house I had what we called in those days a lightning switch. When not using the radio this switch joined the aerial to a ground wire. One Sunday evening I had been using the radio before I went to church. That same evening during the church service—indeed it was during

the sermon—I saw the lightning flashing and I suddenly remembered I had not thrown the switch. I stopped preaching and announced that we would sing one verse of the closing hymn. Having sung the verse I pronounced the benediction and ran for home to break the connection. Yes, ran as if the hounds were after me. I left a worried wife and an amazed congregation, but for once I was the preacher "whose terminals were in good order."

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memorable one. There has been praise and apprecia-
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the community we serve have come forward with
kind words and best wishes for our future. Some
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THIS WEEK WM. A. ROGERS SILVERWARE THURSDAY - FRIDAY

MOUNT ALBERT ESCAPES INJURY AS COAT CATCHES IN TRACTOR

Mrs. A. Parks had the misfortune to trip and fall down the cellar stairs, breaking some ribs and bruising herself badly.

Mrs. Walter Graham slipped on the ice and fell, breaking several ribs.

Mrs. J. T. Crozier of Guelph spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Steeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler left on Saturday to spend their holidays with Mr. Butler's parents at Oshawa.

Mrs. Horace Brown has moved back with her brother, Mr. Carl Lees, as Mr. Brown has enlisted with the veterans and is in Toronto.

Donald Crone narrowly escaped being killed when the tractor in which he had caught his coat almost ran over him. He was badly bruised.

Mr. William Broad marked his 84th birthday last week and he and Mrs. Broad have been married 54 years.

Mrs. Jas. Rennie and her mother, Mrs. Ross, are having the Ross family party on Christmas day.

MOUNT ALBERT GIVEN FAREWELL PARTY ON EVE OF DEPARTURE

The neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herbstreet held a farewell party for them on the eve of their departure for their new home. They moved last Saturday and their new address will be Elora.

Miss Dorothy Stokes has gone to Toronto to spend a few weeks at the home of her brother, Frank Stokes.

Miss Mildred Dike spent the weekend in Toronto.

Miss Daisy Watts of Dunnville is home for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. MacPherson of Carleton Place are spending Christmas with their son, Dr. G. W. E. MacPherson.

The public school children held a party and had a Christmas tree on Friday afternoon, with an exchange of gifts for each child. And now, for a nice long holiday and just hoping for real cold weather so the skating rink can get under way.

KESWICK CHILD IS MENINGITIS VICTIM

Following the sudden death of six-year-old Harold Walker of Keswick, from spinal meningitis on Dec. 10, Keswick school was closed and all children under 16 years of age were placed under strict quarantine by Dr. O. M. Beattie, the medical officer of health for North Gwillimbury.

Children were ordered kept indoors by Dr. Beattie, and not allowed to play in their backyards. The ban was lifted on Friday after ten days of quarantine.

The stricken child, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Walker, was a pupil of the kindergarten class of the village school.

Sutton

The public school Christmas concert was held in the town hall on Tuesday, Dec. 17, and was very well attended. The performance by the scholars was excellent and much credit is due the teachers and pupils for the effort in making this concert such a success.

Miss Kay McKelvey and Mr. Jack Davis of Gravenhurst are expected to spend Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. E. McKelvey.

Mr. James Taylor is leaving this weekend to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. J. F. Gardhand, in Haliburton.

The Christmas white gift service was held at the United church here last Sunday. The special speaker was Dr. Chas. Endicott of Toronto.

Misses Helen Burnham and Bernice Hamilton, who are attending O.A.C., Guelph, are

expected to spend the Christmas holidays at their homes here.

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VANDORF SANTA CLAUS ATTENDS CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Miss Elsie vanNostrand, nurse-in-training at the Toronto East General hospital, is spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur vanNostrand.

Mr. Edward Willis of Creighton Mines is holidaying at his home here.

Miss Jean Switzer is visiting in Toronto.

The Vandorf and Hartman public schools held their annual Christmas concerts on Wednesday evening. The teachers, Miss Ball and Mr. King, selected part of each of these programs, which were presented at Wesley church on Friday night. The three entertainments were very much enjoyed and Santa Claus visited them all and distributed gifts from the tree.

Miss Mabel Carr is the new Y.P.U. president and Miss Jean White is the secretary-treasurer. Friends here were grieved at the news of the passing of Mrs. W. C. Tiffin of Toronto on Wednesday afternoon. She was born in Ireland and was in her 74th year.

The funeral was private and interment took place at Weston. A few years ago Mr. Tiffin was superintendent of Kingsley Farm. Both he and Mrs. Tiffin took an active part in the church and community life here.

The Wesley Y.P.U. is holding a candlelight service in the church on Sunday evening, Dec. 23, and invite everyone to join in this.

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the latter cashed in for what proved to be the winning counter.

Barrie had a slight edge in the first period. Aurora took the offensive in the second stanza and Brown was robbed of a sure goal as he was in the clear, with Spearman out of the nets. Rawlings almost clicked on a sizzler as the Barrie netminder just cleared in time. Ken House at the Aurora end stopped three or four dandles, but he had luck to have Mabley cross in front of him as he played a shot from Bowen and the puck trickled in on the other side.

The Colts had the edge in the final frame as the veteran Red Jennett, led a sizzling offensive on the tired Aurora defence. A goal was scored which Farrell later said wasn't in the net, and Jennett got the last counter with a nice effort. Barrie had the odd man on one occasion, but some stout-hearted work by Beresford and Beaumont held the Colts at bay.

Coach John Dobson of the Barrie team expressed surprise at the form displayed by the Aurora team, when he learned that they had not yet had a practice together. His own team tried out many new boys, and he looks to have a fair squad to represent Simcoe county.

George Wilson handled the local team in fine style from the bench and local officials felt the team had turned in its best game of the season. House showed improved form in goal and did a nice job, considering defence lapses. Beresford was as good as anyone on the ice until he was dealt on his feet in the last period, while Stewart and Ray Lloyd worked hard.

Up front, Bruce Stephens, Irwin Brown, and Blondie Rawlings looked best. Del Beaumont missed his line-mate, Pearce, but worked like a Trojan, and Norm Mabley played his best game of the season. Every boy tried hard all the way. For Barrie, Spearman, Jennett, Bowen and Reid looked best.

Aurora: goal, House; defence, Stewart, Beresford and Lloyd; centre, Beaumont; wings, Howlett and Stephens; alternates, Rawlings, Brown, N. Taylor, Perry, Mabley and J. Taylor.

Barrie: goal, Spearman; defence, Jennett, Gibbons and Doherty; centre, Reid; wings, Bowen and Wheeler; alternates, N. Saunders, Bird, Hayes, Smith, Davey, McDonald, Peferce, Red Farrell.

Aurora SANTA VISITS CHURCHES

Santa Claus came to Aurora twice on Tuesday. Early in the afternoon he visited the Christmas party of the beginners' class of the Aurora United church, with Mrs. H. Lubbock in charge. From there he went to the Presbyterian church for a concert, party and supper.

Aurora TAKES NEW POST

George "Hack" Wilson, popular local sportsman, who had been employed with Fleury-Bissell Ltd. until their closing here, has accepted a position in Toronto with the Moloney Electric Co. He will, however, continue to reside in town.

Aurora PUPILS KNIT FOR ARMY AND NAVY

The following articles have been completed by the girls of the junior Red Cross at Aurora high school: Christine Kirkwood, one navy scarf; Doris Hollingshead, one navy sweater; Yvonne Jones, one navy sweater; Nora Calhoun, one khaki sweater; Edna Folliott, one pair of socks; Mavis Sisman, one blue scarf; June Billing, one navy scarf; Norma Mathew, two pair of mitts; Doris Borden, two scarves; Joan Chalk, one navy scarf; Evelyn Courtney, one navy scarf; Beth Copson, one khaki scarf; Patricia Sisman, three pairs of mitts; Anna Carille, two pairs of socks, six pairs of mitts; Helen Lloyd, two pairs of mitts; Dorothy Richardson, one pair of mitts, one pair of socks; Florence Rose, one pair of mitts.

The group have also made 25 handkerchiefs. Miss May Douglas of the high school staff is in charge of the group.

Aurora FORMER TEACHER IS HONORED

Miss Helen Pearson, formerly of the staff of Aurora public school, was honored informally this week by her former colleagues, with the presentation of a beautiful silver tea service.

Aurora S.O.E. LODGE ELECTS OFFICIALS FOR 1941

The Sons of England held their annual election of officers last week, with the following being elected to office for the ensuing year: president, Reuben Long; vice-pres., Charles Fry; secretary, R. W. Cotnam; chaplain, R. Quinn; treasurer, Harold Eveleigh; surgeon, Dr. Jas. L. Urquhart; 1st Guide, G. Spence; 2nd Guide, G. French; 3rd Guide, Reg. Southwood; 4th Guide, E. Foster; 5th Guide, Don Glass; 6th Guide, Murray McLeod; auditors, Robert Hodgkinson and Frank Rowe; trustees, Robert Rank and Fred Bush.

During the year the lodge lost one of its oldest members and one of the charter members, the late Mark Browning.

Two new members were initiated in the persons of Bob Benville and Tom Ruesdie. Following the election, installation of the new officers was made by District-Deputy D. P. Fowler of Toronto.

Aurora LODGE MEETS

On Thursday the Royal Searles chapter of East Gwillimbury held its monthly meeting, with a splendid turnout of members from all parts of North York.

The next meeting will see the election of officers for the chapter, to be held on the third Thursday in the New Year.

AURORA STUDENTS DEBATE ON SEA VS. AIR POWER

The fall term came to a close at Aurora high school on Friday afternoon with the first meeting of the high school Literary society. The president, Howard Folliott, was in the chair.

The program was in the charge of fourth form students, under the direction of Raymond Cook. A clever skit, with Bill Thompson, Anna Leggett, and Raymond Cook, opened proceedings, followed by a "School-days" farce, in which about 14 pupils took part.

Feature of the afternoon was a first-round debate in the school championship series between the pupils of the third and second forms. The judges were Mrs. V. Wilcox, Rev. Dr. E. J. Thompson and Wilfred Adams. Representing the affirmative side Jean Patterson and John Crysdale endeavored to prove "that air power is more essential to a nation than sea power." Mary Bowman and Ted Kerr took the negative side for form three.

By a unanimous vote the judges gave the decision to the negative.

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Prices to the shinner for poultry were: Ontario young turkeys, all weights, 28 to 29 cents; Ontario geese, A grade, 18 to 20 cents; spring chickens, 2½ to 4½ pounds, 16 to 17 cents a pound.

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